

1973. During 1967, he was appointments secretary in the office of the Governor of the State of California, after having served as a consultant for the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory at the University of California beginning in 1962. He also served during this period as general manager of Supercon, Ltd., of Houston, Tex., from 1963 to 1965.

Born on March 1, 1934, in New York, N.Y., Mr. Reed attended Cornell University and received his B.S. degree in 1956. He received his M.S. from the University of Southern California in Los Angeles in 1959. He served as a first lieutenant in the United States Air Force from 1956 to 1961. During 1961, he served as senior engineer of the Avco Research Laboratory in Everett, Mass.

Mr. Reed is married to the former Leslie Jean Papenfus, and they have three children. They reside in Alexandria, Va.

Department of Defense

Announcement of Intention To Nominate William I. Greener To Be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. December 8, 1975

The President today announced his intention to nominate William I. Greener, of Springfield, Va., to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs). He will succeed Joseph Laitin, who resigned.

Since April 1975, Mr. Greener has been Deputy Press Secretary to the President. Prior to his appointment, he was Assistant to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget for Public Affairs beginning in February 1975. From 1973 to 1975, he was Assistant to the Secretary for Public Affairs at the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

From 1972 to 1973, Mr. Greener was Assistant Director of the Cost of Living Council for Congressional and Public Affairs. During 1971-72, he was Assistant to the Commissioner for Public Affairs of the Internal Revenue Service. During that period, he was assigned to the Department of the Treasury as Deputy Special Assistant to the Secretary for Public Affairs from May of 1972 to July of 1972. From July of 1967 to September 1970, he served in the United States Air Force in the Public Information Division.

Mr. Greener was born on February 18, 1925, in Mcmphis, Tenn. He received his B.S. degree from the University of Missouri in 1947 and his M.S. degree from Boston University in 1967. He is married to the former Charlene McPheeters, and they have five children.

House Select Committee on Intelligence

*Letter to Committee Chairman Otis G. Pike From
Philip W. Buchen, Counsel to the President.
Dated December 6, 1975. Released December 8, 1975*

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The President has asked me to reply on his behalf to your thoughtful letter of November 21. He has further asked me to tell you that he appreciates the fact that you and your Committee permitted representatives of the Executive Branch to appear for testimony on November 20, and shares your hope that the remaining "underlying issues" may be removed.

As you know, in order to provide your Committee with the substance of the information it sought to obtain by the November 6 subpoenas, the Executive Branch identified the originating agency with respect to all covert actions conducted from 1965 to the present. The President authorized this step because of his desire to meet the legitimate needs of the Committee for information on covert operations, although such detail was not required under any of the three subpoenas.

As a further demonstration of our desire for accommodation, the President has authorized me to inform you and your Committee that, since the 40 Committee subpoena covered only the period 1965 to the present, we will supplement the information already given to your Committee by providing similar information for the years 1961 through 1964 under the guidelines we have followed thus far. This additional step should, we believe, make it possible for the Committee to obtain the information that your letter indicated was necessary without affecting the President's claim of Executive privilege.

I sincerely hope, Mr. Chairman, that this further example of the President's desire to help the Committee carry out its important responsibilities will receive a favorable response by the Committee.

Sincerely,

PHILIP W. BUCHEN
Counsel to the President

[The Honorable Otis G. Pike, Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515]

NOTE: The text of the letter was made available by the White House Press Office. It was not issued in the form of a White House press release.